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RELIGIONS LOTTERIE,

OR THE

Churches Amazement.

VVherein is declared how many ſorts of Religions there is crept into the very bowels of this Kingdome, ſtriving to ſhake the whole foundation and to deſtroy both Church and Kingdom.

Namely theſe 16. hereafter mentioned.

1	*Papiſts*	9	*Lutherans*
2	*Arians*	10	*Separatiſts*
3	*Arminians*	11	*Browniſts*
4	*Canoniſts*	12	*Puritanes*
5	*Athieſts*	13	*Noveliſts*
6	*Adamites*	14	*Time-ſervers*
7	*Familiſts*	15	*Rattle-heads*
8	*Anabaptiſts*	16	*Round-heads.*

Whereunto is annexed each of their ſeverall opinions, with ſufficient Arguments to conſute each opinion, and to prove them Enemies to the peace of the Church and Kingdome.

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Churches Authorized.

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THe first that I shall begin with in this discourse is the *Athiest*, he being indeed the worst of all creatures, as in this his difinition may plainly appeare.

Athiest.

An *Athiest*, is one that believes that there is no God, onely ascribes all things to the power of chance and fortune, he lookes onely upon the naturall things of the world, not dreaming of any other Deity.

Answ. To confute this Argument, I will use but onely this one Testimony, *The Heavens declare the Glory of God, and the Firmament sheweth the worke of his hands, Psalme 19. verse 1.*

Papist.

The *Papists* among us are a people who would have a Church consisting of Cardinals, Arch-bishops, Bishops, Deacons, Jesuits, Friers, &c. independent to the Crown or civill Magistrate, he will acknowledge no High Priest but the Pope, from whom he expects remission of sinnes and absolution.

Answ. To confute this opinion of the Papists, I shall onely use this Argument to prove that there is no High Priest but *Christ Iesus*, you may read in the 7. chap. of the *Hebrewes*, at the 17. 23, 24, 25. verses, &c. The Lord testifies of Christs saying, *Thou art a Priest for ever after the order of Melchesideck.*

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Likewiſe they have many Popes and many High Prieſts, becauſe they are not ſuffered to continue by reaſon of death, but our High Prieſt, becauſe he continueth for ever hath an unchangeable Prieſt-hood.

Arians.

The *Arians* among us are people that would maintain the *Moyſaicall* Law, with the ſame Levitical Ceremonies. *Proteſtants Anſwer.*

The Old Law was aboliſhed by the new Teſtament, *Even as by the firſt man Adam, all men was made ſinners, ſo by the ſecond man Chriſt Jeſus, all men became Heires unto Salvation.*

Arminians.

The *Arminians* among us are a people which would have the Church governed by Arch-Biſhops, Biſhops, they are halfe Papiſts and halfe Proteſtants, they would have Altars, Cuſhions, Wax-Candles, with the firſt and latter Service, one at the Deske, the other at the Altar, with many other ſuperfluous Ceremonies. *Proteſtants Anſwer.*

Either that theſe Ceremonies may be lawfull or no I will not queſtion, but I am ſure they are not effectuall to Salvation, but rather a Rocke of offence at which many ſtumble; Therefore they ought to be abandoned, for *whoſoever ſo ſinneth againſt his Brother and woundeth his weake conſcience, ſinneth againſt Chriſt*, Cor. 1. 12.

Adamites.

The *Adamites* are a people which would live under no command of Magiſtrate or Church, they would be meere Libertines and live as they liſt, following that place of Scripture, *Increaſe and multiply*, and in their ſociety they are ſo overcome with the fleſh that they cannot pray. *Pro-*

Protestants Answer.

That this opinion is grounded on a vaine and fruitlesse foundation may be easily discerned, for St. *Paul* tells us in his Epistle to the *Galatians, chap. 5. ver.* 13. this Lesson; *For Brethren though you have beene called unto liberty, yet use not your liberty for an occasion to the Flesh, but by love serve one another.*

Familists.

The *Familists* would have no Bishops nor governors in the Church, but all things common, as wife, children, goods, &c. and that no punishment should be inflicted on offenders, but onely to pray for them and leave them to Gods mercy.

Protestants Answer.

To confute these, I will use no other Argument but the word in the Commination, *Cursed is he that lies with his Neighbours wife.*

Anabaptists.

The *Anabaptist* would have no Government at all in the Church, neither would they have any Baptized, but such as are of age, and they pray more for such a Church then for grace or faith.

Protestants Answer.

You may read that Christ rebuked his Disciples, saying; *Suffer little Children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the Kingdome of God*, and if Children be Saints in the Church Triumphant, it cannot be denyed, but that it is lawfull by Baptisme to bee made Members of the Church Militant.

Novolists are those that change in their opinions oftner then the fashion, sometime they are *Papists*, sometime *Puritanes*, they are never constant in one thing, but alwayes wavering like a Read shaken with the wind.

Protestants Answer.

To these I will onely give a Christian like admonition, *Examine your selves whether yee be in the faith prove your owne selves, know you not that Iesus Christ is in you, except ye be Reprobates*, Cor. 13. 5.

Time-servers.

Timeservers are alwayes of the strongest side, they commend no discription but what they are like to have, they are like Virgins wax capable of any impression, Bishops or no Bishops, what the Parliament shall please to ordaine that they will follow, and till then they are of all Religions, or as I may justly say of no Religion.

The Protestants Answ. To these I will likewise bestow a friendly admonition, *make your Election sure, beware lest any man spoyle you through Philosophy and vain deceipt after the tradition of men and not after Christ, for in him dwelleth all fulnesse of grace*, Colossians, 2. 8.

Canonists.

The *Canonists* desire the government of Bishops still to abide, because they stand upon Canon Law, likewise they stand for all Canonicall *Ceremonies.*

Answ. I need quote no Scripture to prove this opinion unlawfull, the Report strikes terror through the whole Kingdome, onely I desire that all the Canons betwixt this and *Canterbury*, may be sent to the Tower, where they shall meet with a little Canoneer that will make them fly with a powder.

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Lutherans.

The *Lutheran* would have no Bishops, but a Church goverment under the King, they would have all Ordinances agreeable to the Ordinances of the Primitive Church. *Protestants Answer.*

That there was in the time of the Apostles Bishops, and that some of them were Bishops is apparently manifest, and that the Office of a Bishop is allowed of by St. *Paul*, you may find in the third of *Tim.* ver. the 1. *This is a true saying, if a man desire the Office of a Bishop he desireth a good worke.*

Seperatists.

The *Separatists* are men that would have no Bishops but Elders, Ecclesiasticall and Layicke.

Prot. Answ. That the government of the Church especially in teaching doe no way belong to Laymen, is made apparent in these words; *Having then gifts, differing, according to the grace that is given us, whether prophesie let us prophesie according to our proportion of faith*, that is, *every one must labour diligently in the calling in which he is placed*, Rom. 12. 6.

Brownists.

The *Brownist* would have no *Common-Prayer*, onely extemporary Prayer, by the motion of the Spirit.

Answ. Their opinion is not much different from the *Separatists*, and may easily be confuted by the same Argument. *Puritans.*

The *Puritane* is the most commendable of all the rest, for he would have a Religion for which he hath a president, *to wit*, the Kirke of *Scotland*.

Prot. Answer, To which opinion I can say little, onely I conceive, that the difference in the Ordinance alters not the effect, since in the fundamentals wee doe perfectly agree,

Rattle

Rattle-heads.

The *Rattle heads* are a company of ſhallow pated haire-brain'd ſhittle-witted Coxcombes, that neither regard Law nor Religion, they regard nothing but to make miſchiefe, build Caſtles in the Ayre, hatch Stratagems, invent Projects, and doe miſchiefe with dexterity, and after fly for it.

Anſw. To theſe I have little to ſay, onely I wiſh that they had more grace, ſo leaving them to the pricke of conſcience, and the laſh of a Beadles whip, I reſt.

Round-Heads.

The *Round-heads* are people that would have the Church and Service orderly performed, but yet they are the chiefe Ring-leaders to all tumultuous diſorders, they call the *Common Prayer* Porridge, and they will allow no Doctrine for good, nor no Miniſter a quiet audience, without he preach abſolute damnation.

Proteſtants Anſwer.

To theſe men that are diſturbers of the Church I ſay with St. *Paul*, *Corinthians*, 13, 17. *If any man deſtroy the Temple of God, him ſhall God deſtroy. For the Temple of God is Holy.*

Thus having finiſhed my intended courſe I reſt,

Praying to God the Author of true peace,
That truth may flouriſh and diſſention ceaſe.

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